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These two will provide the thrills —

HELLAS V J.U.S.T: WILL PACK THEM IN AT MIDDLE PARK ON SATURDAY

by MORRIE BUCKNER

If the weather is kind and the ground in good condition, the "silk department" of Victorian soccer will be open for business at Middle Park on Saturday.

5th. Melb.-Hellas will be at home to the new-look J.U.S.T., and the Middle Park saucer will be "bursting at the seams" with the biggest crowd of fans ever entertained there.

Neither side can afford to lose this game. State League leader Wilhelmina is likely to beat Melbourne in this round, and Hellas could find itself three points down if beaten, and defeat could put J.U.S.T. four points down.

So it's bound to be a rousing crowd-pleaser. And if both sides concentrate on playing football, this could rank with some of the classiest matches ever seen in Melbourne.

You can write off J.U.S.T.'s showing in the heavy going last week. We have seen enough to know that J.U.S.T.'s new imports are class players. Given a few weeks to settle down in their new surroundings and with their new club, they should lift this team to the class level enjoyed by Polonia — and the fans — in 1960 and 1961.

Mladenovic is a ball-control virtuoso, and is a tonic for Marinovic, who obviously enjoys having a brainy partner to work with.

Rusmir is sound and creative in midfield, and Rasic is experienced and above average as a defender. We haven't seen Yagodic yet, but he doesn't have to be better than Mladenovic to be a top-class forward.

Micic is in top form at centre-half and Ladehof is doing surprisingly well at left full-back.

J.U.S.T. would do well to "rest" Vollman and

Rice, and name Schumacher and van der Poel for Saturday's vital game.

After five good wins in a row, Hellas slipped to lose to Slavia and win unimpressively against Moreland. But the Greek side improved again last week to trounce Melbourne 3-0.

Short in inches but long in football brains, Xanthopoulos has a knack of cutting opponents down to his own size whether he plays at pivot or full-back. And he and Kourkoulakis, Maniakes, and Kaligeros are all capable of turning defence into attack as quick as a wink.

Fourth full-back Ieremiades will probably be kept busy watching both Mladenovic and Rusmir, and it won't be long before they learn to avoid him if they want to go any place in particular in peace and quiet.

Pappadopoulos, Margarites, Tsolakis, Hatzelutherford, Smith and Bedford make up a scintillating six-man attack that may have young Micic turning grey before the game is over.

This should be close, but given fast conditions, J.U.S.T. could win.

LOOK OUT FOR CROAT

"Keep your eyes on Croat this season," treasurer Harry Mrksa told "Soccer Weekly" yesterday.

"We held Slavia to a goalless draw on Saturday, and they're a tough side. And we did this without our stars Szaur and Sal.

"Next Sunday, for our home game against George Cross at Olympic Park, we'll be at our strongest this season.

"Watch us—we're going to be a force to be reckoned with this year," added Mr. Mrksa.

MACCABI RES. WITHDRAW

Maccabi Reserves have withdrawn their team from the First Division North Reserves.

Their future fixtures, which will not now take place, will be treated as byes.

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STANLEY MATTHEWS WILL NOT PLAY IN AUSTRALIA

World famous soccer player Stanley Matthews will not be coming to Victoria to play football this season.

Following many weeks of controversial comments by soccer followers in Melbourne, sponsoring club committee member Mr Eric Heath, of Moreland, has been in contact with Matthews.

Originally Matthews was due to arrive in Melbourne and play eight games with Moreland, starting from Saturday, August 4.

It was estimated that he would be paid £2500 for the games, which is

equivalent to £300 for each appearance.

Moreland Soccer Club was being backed by a private sponsor who is interested in the club.

He is a director of Floor Coverings Pty Ltd, of Flinders Lane, Melbourne.

Mr Heath told Soccer Weekly yesterday that his last letter from Matthews said Stoke City had given him permission to play, but Sir Stanley Rous, the president of FIFA, had forbidden Matthews to play.

NEXT YEAR?
"But there's a good

chance that everything will be cleared-up for next year and Matthews will come here", Mr Heath added.

To us in Victoria it appears that Australian soccer is certainly suffering under the FIFA blacklisting of Australia.

The ban has been in operation now for almost three years and no English or Continental team has been allowed to visit this country.

The ban automatically includes individual players like Matthews who wish to travel here for a combined sporting and holiday trip.

FIFA is sticking to its decision and local soccer isn't getting enough migrants of international standard.

It's time the Australian Federation did something to remove the ban. It must be lifted if soccer is to progress in the Commonwealth.

● A MAN FROM OUTER SPACE? No, sir. It's brilliant Slavia left-half Alex Glennie in action at Olympic Park on Sunday.

Here he beats Wilhelmina forward Frank Stoffels to the ball.

Stoffels scored one of the goals which helped his team beat Slavia 3-2 in the replay.

Glennie is in our "Soccer Weekly" team on Page 8.

This picture was taken by Uwe Kuessner, of 10 Dudley Parade, Canterbury, from whom copies can be obtained.

ENOUGH TO MAKE US GRUNT!

IF AN Aussie Rules player chases a pig it makes news. For proof see "The Sun, May 29, page 21.

A large photograph shows four Geelong players chasing pigs on a farm at Dean's Marsh.

One of the players is ruckman "Polly" Farmer.

The following day, May 30, on page 46 of the same paper we read the headline "Farmer on Crutches".

The story reads: "Geelong's champion ruckman Polly Farmer is walking on crutches to

give his injured left knee complete rest.

"However, Geelong is confident that he will be completely fit when he plays again — probably on June 23 against Essendon".

SHARPSHOOTER

Mike Chudiak, 14, of Trident Under-14 team, has scored 29 of his team's 60 goals this season.

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DISCIPLINARY PANEL IS ON THE BALL

Here is an opportunity for you to test your skill at forecasting results of the Victorian Soccer Federation games from next weekend. For a Home Win put (1) in the space provided. For an Away win put (2), and for a Draw (X). Then on Saturday evening tune to "Soccer Half Hour" on 3KZ at 6.15 for the official results. Space has been provided here for you to take them down as they are read at dictation speed in the following order:—

STATE LEAGUE

Polonia v Hakoah
Croat v George Cross
Lions v Slavia
Juventus v Moreland
S.M.-Hellas v J.U.S.T.
Melbourne v Wilhelmina

FIRST DIVISION NORTH

Cerie v Box Hill
Stella v Collingwood
Sunshine City v Fiorentina
University v Moonee Ponds
Heidelberg v Croatia
Maccabi v Alexander

FIRST DIVISION SOUTH

Fernie Gully v Austria
Geelong v Brighton
Sandringham v Oakleigh
Richmond v Trident
Dandenong v Makedonia
Yallourn v Bayswater

STATE LEAGUE RESERVES

Polonia v Hakoah
Croat v George Cross
Lions v Slavia
Juventus v Moreland
S.M.-Hellas v J.U.S.T.
Melbourne v Wilhelmina

SECOND DIVISION NORTH

Bendigo v Essendon
Coburg v Norlane-Olympia
Fairfield v Libertas
E.C.I. v St. Albans
Crescent Banks v Williamstown
Seymour v W.W.F.

SECOND DIVISION SOUTH

Sunshine Heights v Ringwood
Triestina v F.N.D.
Kensington v Moorabbin
Croydon v Frankston
Reschud v South Yarra
Park Rangers v Prahran

FIRST DIV. NORTH RESERVES

Cerie v Box Hill
Coburg v Norlane-Olympia
Sunshine City v Fiorentina
University v Moonee Ponds
Heidelberg v Croatia
Maccabi v Alexander

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Geelong v Brighton
Sandringham v Oakleigh
Richmond v Frankston
Dandenong v Makedonia
Yallourn v Dandenong

SECOND DIVISION RESERVES

Ballarat v Ringwood
Bell Park v Azzurri
Ajax v Moorabbin
Geelong Scottish v Brunswick
Springvale v South Yarra
Park Rangers v Prahran

One of the features of State League games this season has been a general improvement in sportsmanship and a marked decline in the number of bad incidents.

This new disciplinary committee can take most of the credit for this and has become a body of which Victorian soccer can be justly proud.

To find out how the committee sets about its important and very difficult job Soccer Weekly went along to Olympic Park last Thursday night and viewed the proceedings.

In an endeavor to get complete impartiality, and to ensure that meetings were conducted in a proper manner, the Federation sought the help of a man fully experienced in the running of a court of law, and one who could give the final decision of judgment.

They have found that man in Mr O'Connor, S.M. His years of experience in cases of every conceivable nature, and an understanding of people of every type and nationality make him the ideal chairman.

PERSONAL HEARING

Unlike other tribunals in soccer, every offender automatically gets a personal hearing. In other countries cases are tried purely on the evidence of the referee's report, which is considered to be irrevocable. If a player wishes to have his case heard he must pay a fee and if he is still found guilty must pay the costs of the commission.

Under our own system a player can call as many witnesses as he wishes and has every opportunity to question all evidence.

Mr O'Connor insists on the proper respect for his court, which includes proper dress and proper behavior, although proceedings are conducted with everyone seated, which creates a relaxed atmosphere.

UNBIASED

When a State League case is heard Mr O'Connor's two colleagues are drawn from the Metropolitan League and they are replaced by State League members for Metropolitan cases. This ensures an unbiased opinion being given to the chairman, who alone is responsible for the final decision.

From their decisions this season they have made quite plain their intention to keep the game clean. Kicking and any violent conduct likely to cause serious injury has been punished by long terms of suspension.

They have realised that the difficult job of refereeing must have their support, and that the referee is in charge of all matters on the field. Referees have been criticised more than anybody over the years, but with a strong body behind

them their task should be made easier.

NO SYMPATHY

Players will soon realise that the sudden burst of bad temper will have to be controlled, for the disciplinary committee shows no sympathy. First offenders are not shown much leniency; they are usually, if guilty, shown the door with a period of inactivity and stern warning not to darken the door again.

If guiltless or if there is any great doubt about evidence, or if the charge has not been made in a correct manner, the player is allowed to go with no punishment but the same final instruction is repeated.

Unfortunately, there will always be misdeeds on the field, but thanks to Mr O'Connor and his committee they will become fewer and fewer as each season progresses. Spectators can go to the soccer and see it without the ugly incidents that have been all too frequent during the past few years.

WORLD CUP

June 6: Uruguay v USSR;
Chile v W. Germany; Brazil v Spain; Argentina v Hungary.
June 7: Colombia v Yugoslavia; Switzerland v Italy; Mexico v Czechoslovakia; Bulgaria v England.
June 12: Quarter-finals.
June 13: Semi-finals.
June 16: Third and fourth places.
June 17: Final.



Here's a new angle on Geography lessons! A teacher at St. Gillose State School in the south of France asked his class to name the capital of Portugal. The unanimous answer he received was "Beneficio". Beneficio are the Portuguese team which has won the European Cup during the past two years.

NEW YORK'S Summer Soccer Tournament is improving in size and quality every year. The 1962 competition almost ready to kick-off will include 12 top European teams — one Brazilian, one Argentinian and two American sides. This year's games will be played at Randall's Island, New York.

THE Football Association in Brazil impose rigid and strict transfer rules in their own domestic set-ups. Maximum inter-club fee is £1000, which is exactly what top club Santos paid for Gilmar from Corinthians Sao Paulo.

STANLEY MATTHEWS has now played 810 League, Cup and International games since he turned senior with Stoke City 30 years ago.

THE World Cup finals in Chile now under

way are a sell-out. Even some South American club officials are looking for the more expensive briefs which are appearing on the black market. A profit of over £2 million on the tournament is envisaged. Mexico, Argentina, Peru, Uruguay and possibly Brazil will get live TV transmission of the games and 40 new radio stations have been built to give more sound broadcasts.

SOCCER is now played in 97 countries throughout the world. There is an estimated 150,000 affiliated clubs who control half a million teams. These clubs have 50,000 professional and seven million amateurs.

JOHN CHARLES, the Welsh star of the Juventus Soccer Club in Italy, has written a book. Naturally it's about soccer and is aptly named, "Goodbye Juventus".

Charles, at present with the Welsh national team touring South America, is still undecided about staying in Italy or returning to Britain, but it will take a big fee to interest Juventus, who paid Leeds United £65,000 for him in 1957.

WATFORD, the struggling Third Division English club, have made an approach to Hungarian coach Bela Guttmann, who recently severed his connections with Benfica after managing them in two European Cup successes. It is hardly likely that the ambitious Watford will get their man.

HEARTS, the Scottish First Division club, certainly go for the colored players. In recent years the Edinburgh team have had players by the name of Black, Brown, White, Blue and Green in their line-ups.

—JIM COOK.

HUNGARY WIN 6-1

SANTIAGO, Monday — Hungary scored the biggest win of the World Cup soccer finals so far when they thrashed Bulgaria 6-1 at Rancagua yesterday.

They now emerge the biggest danger to holders Brazil, and European favorites, the Soviet Union, in the battle for the Jules Rimet trophy.

Only a tremendous beating from Argentina on Wednesday, coupled with a big English win over Bulgaria on Thursday, can stop them claiming top place in their group.

Hungary turned on a tremendous display of power in the early stages to crush Bulgaria's hopes completely with four goals in the first 12 minutes.

The Soviet Union were held 4-4 by Colombia, considered one of the weaker South American challengers, at Arica in the day's biggest upset.

The Soviet Union started with three goals in the first 12 minutes, and led 4-1 after 37 minutes.

But the Colombians then shot three goals in a nine-minute spell.

In Group Two, West Germany improved their chances of accompanying host nation Chile to the quarter-finals, with a 2-1 win over Switzerland.

A 79th minute goal by inside-right Pele gave Spain a 1-0 win over Mexico in Group Three.

Spain have now two points from two matches, but have little chance of qualifying.

World Cup winners over the years:—

1930 in Uruguay (Winner: Uruguay).

1934 in Italy (Winner: Italy).

1938 in France (Winner: Italy).

1950 in Brazil (Winner: Uruguay).

1954 in Switzerland (Winner: Germany).

1958 in Sweden (Winner: Brazil).

PELE INJURED — WON'T PLAY

CHILE, Sun. — Brazil's soccer inside-left, Edison Pele, generally recognised as the world's greatest footballer, will not play in his team's next World Cup match.

Pele, who earns \$1250 a week, injured his leg in Brazil's cup match against Czechoslovakia on Saturday.

Next match for Brazil will be on Wednesday against Spain. Pele will not be fit to play for at least a week.

WORLD CUP TABLES

With one game to go in the preliminary finals here's how the teams stood. June 3 matches are included.

| GROUP 1 | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |
|------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|-----|
| U.S.S.R. | 2 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 4 | 3 | |
| Yugoslavia | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 2 | |
| Uruguay | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 4 | |
| Colombia | 2 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 6 | 1 | |

| GROUP 2 | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |
|-------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|-----|
| Chile | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 1 | 4 |
| W. Germany | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| Italy | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 |
| Switzerland | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 0 |

| GROUP 3 | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |
|----------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|-----|
| Brazil | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 3 |
| Czechoslovakia | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 2 |
| Spain | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| Mexico | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 0 |

| GROUP 4 | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |
|-----------|---|---|---|---|---|---|-----|
| Hungary | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 2 | 4 |
| England | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 2 | 4 |
| Argentina | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 2 |
| Bulgaria | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 7 | 0 |

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... ON THE STATE LEAGUE

BY IAN DAVIES

Although *Wilhelmina* have taken a point lead in the table they might need a win to stay on top.

Defeat for *Wilhelmina* would mean that *Hellas* could take a point lead with a win, and *Juventus* could top the Dutchmen on goal average.

J.U.S.T. could also lead on goal average but they would have to win by three or four goals against *Hellas*, a tall order at any time. **MELBOURNE v**

WILHELMINA
These possible changes in leadership could depend on Melbourne beating *Wilhelmina*. This is extremely improbable at the moment. Two convincing wins last week-end, particularly the one against *Hakoah*, have put *Wilhelmina* in the super-confident bracket.

Although Melbourne have the home game, this will be no advantage to them as *Wilhelmina*'s players know every blade of grass at McDonald Reserve, their home for several seasons.

Besides playing the fast brand of football that has been a feature of the Dutch side for many years, there is a team spirit at Ringwood that has never been better.

Beerendonk and van Alphen are in great form, and although they may not be equal to the deeds of a well-known commentator's 12 games in 26 days, they should have fully recovered from their three successive matches last weekend.

Their only vulnerable spot could be in defence, where constant changes might have had an unsettling effect. Van Alphen in goal has not been playing with his usual confidence and this could be the reason.

Melbourne were unable to hold the fast-moving South Melbourne forwards last week, and I hope they can put the troubles of the past few weeks behind them and play their usual cultured game.

They badly need a centre-forward capable of rounding off the good work of Wienberg and Garrett, and there should not be much trouble for *Wilhelmina* down the middle.

Melbourne would help the Press and spectators by bringing their number of players into line with other clubs. I would agree that their system is now more appropriate, with centre-half number three, but it can be very confusing.

Wilhelmina should take the points in a fast game, but that Melbourne promise of a turn-up is still on the cards.

LIONS v SLAVIA

Lions crept up the table last week with their win over Moreland, and could surprise Slavia this week.

Slavia have battled on bravely despite all their injuries, and have confounded the critics with some good displays against stronger teams.

Berry has been the mainstay of the defence. Although he may not be everyone's ideal centre-half, no one can deny his strength, and he never turns in a bad performance. Barotajs has, after a shaky start, found his best form and is a hard man to beat.

In the forward line Slavia are fielding a virtual reserve line-up. Cook, Angstenberger, McMinnee, are still out with injuries, which makes the club's feats of the past few weeks even more remarkable.

Alec Glennie, who says every season will be his last but still appears every year, is another player who never turns on a bad game. When he does finally decide to hang up his boots he is going to be very hard to replace.

Lions have shown great improvement in the past few weeks. A very close thing with George Cross and a win last week must have given them a lift.

They could beat Slavia and two points would give them a total of eight and would lift them right out of the doldrums. Voight was unlucky not to play for the State side this week as on current form he could not be bettered. His great displays must be an inspiration to teammates.

Watson scored two good goals against George Cross and with Landherr in good form the attack has taken on a much-improved look.

The Slavia forwards should hold no terror for Lions and don't be surprised if Lions scrape home.

JUVENTUS v MORELAND
We have given up trying to forecast the results

WILHELMINA GOES TO THE TOP POSITION

By MORRIE BUCKNER

Beaten only once in eleven starts, including a replay, *Wilhelmina* approaches the middle of the season at the top of the State League ladder.

It would have been there before but for the fact that two of its points were held in "escrow" pending last Sunday's replay against Slavia.

But its double win over *Hakoah* and Slavia on successive days during the weekend rocketed the club from sixth place right up to where it belongs. Its lead is a narrow one, but the other leaders are going to find it tough to dislodge *Wilhelmina* from the top spot now.

It hasn't been all beer and skittles for *Wilhelmina*. The side has been an unsettled one, and it has had to battle hard for every point. In addition to its single defeat by George Cross, it has been

forced to concede three draws. Last Saturday's win against *Hakoah* in sloppy conditions at the Park was not as easy as the 3-0 score indicates.

It was only in the second half that the Dutchmen gradually got on top of both *Hakoah* and the wet. But when they did, they romped home, with Stoffels scoring two goals within five minutes to clinch the game.

The next day, *Wilhelmina* piled up three goals against Slavia in the first 15 minutes, and then made the mistake of taking a "holiday".

Even though Slavia was forced to field a scratch team, with Angstenberger, Cook, Gross and Enbelbogen all out with injuries, taking liberties with this team is always unwise.

There was a period in the second half when it looked as though *Wilhelmina* might pay a heavy penalty for its laxity, for both Drda and Rambousek scored goals in a short burst.

Wilhelmina was rattled, too, by the fact that one of these goals was a doubtful one in which a hand seemed to play a prominent part. But the Dutchmen gradually settled down again to hold their 3-2 margin.

Versatility is demanded — and received — from the *Wilhelmina* players, with Dick van Alphen shuttling back and forth between the centre-half and centre-forward positions, full-back Erasmus playing the right-wing, and Beerendonk, who is usually seen on the right wing, now doing good work on the left.

Slavia played with little more than Barotajs, Berry, Glennie, Rambousek and a truck-load of plain, old-fashioned guts.

Juventus' matches. Their performances against lower teams have been pathetic while top teams hold no terror for them.

Juventus turned on a brilliant performance to beat *J.U.S.T.* last week. They played as a team and went hard through out the game. They did have the tonic of an early goal, which seems to be their biggest aid to a win as they are not a good side when trailing.

In previous battles with the little teams they have missed early scoring chances and this has caused them to become more ragged as the game goes on. The *Juventus* defence is the strong point. Frangione is having one of his best seasons and Patterson and Bukkos have both fitted in well at full-back.

Reg Griggs is back to his best form, and with a couple of good forwards they could well be this year's champions. A win on Saturday would take them nearer the top, and as mentioned before, if *Wilhelmina* slipped their superior goal average could make them top of the walk.

Moreland bring the same comments every week. The spark they showed against *Hellas* was missing last week against Lions and they still remain pointless. They must get a point soon and why not this week, boys? *Juventus* will be on edge and that all-important early goal could be the winner.

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STATE LEAGUE GOAL SCORERS

Fekete, Melbourne, 9; Hatzelleftieriou, S.M.-Hellas, 7; Villers, Hakoah 7; Beerendonk, *Wilhelmina*, 6; Margarites, S.M.-Hellas, 6; Cubero, George Cross, 5; Gibb, George Cross, 5; McQuillen, Hakoah, 5; Gronowski, Polonia, 4; Rambousek, Slavia, 4; Schumacher, J.U.S.T., 4; Stoffels, *Wilhelmina*, 4; Tsoiakis, S.M.-Hellas, 4.

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Metropolitan round-up

NOTICED something new about Bayswater recently? They have only just begun using their new jerseys. Royal blue and white, they certainly look impressive, and secretary Heinz Volmer hopes the performances of Bayswater's teams are equally as impressive.

Bayswater team captain and centre-half W. Steller has talked his family into moving from Cheltenham to Bayswater so that he can attend training each week.

Austria's captain-coach Frank Schwarz has been with the club for two years since he returned from the United States. Before this he played with Polonia. In his new position he's backed by the capable committee of the Austria Soccer Club.

University has gained the services of four new players this year. They are Brian Nettleton (Box Hill), B. Brisbane (Ireland), Jim Mitchell (Scotland) and H. Bown (Sunshine City Juniors).

Sandringham's field defence, unchanged from last year, has combined very well for most of this year.

Mal Hubble, 19-year-old Sandringham utility player, has displayed promising form in recent weeks, and could make the senior team soon.

Three of Brighton's best and most consistent players each week are right-back Arthur Macartney, left-half Dave Hunt and centre-half Ron Langdon.

University utility player Chan, a robust fast-moving left-back or centre-forward, is pressing for regular first team selection. Harder training and more experience will no doubt gain him promotion.

Popular Brighton committeeman Alan Hawley has left for overseas on the Himalaya. He will return to Australia on the Mariposa on July 31. It's certainly a well earned holiday for Alan.

Mr. Ken Smith, of Fairfield Soccer Club, tells us that his club is in urgent need of two defenders and two forwards. Anyone living in the Fairfield area should contact Mr. Smith at MJ3164.

Readers are reminded that when writing to the Editor, they should address their letters to "Soccer Weekly", No. 1 Oval, Olympic Park, Swan Street, Melbourne.

Frank Foster, a prominent member of the Coburg Reserves, is showing good form and should make the first team if there's any injury.

David Lea, president of Aspendale Junior Soccer Club, is in St. Vincent's Hospital. He is in St. Michael's ward and would like visitors. You can see him every day between 6 and 7 p.m. or between 3 and 4 p.m. Wednesdays and Sundays. David used to play right wing for University, and also represented Victoria in junior competition.

METROP. CLUBS REACH THE HALF-WAY MARK

BY ONLOOKER

Saturday's games are the last of the first round of home and away matches for 1962.

The draw will now be reversed, and the clashes will add interest as all teams are fighting for glory.

Two teams are assured of promotion unless a catastrophe occurs. They are First North team Croatia and Second North team Coburg.

FIRST NORTH

The match of the round is between Heidelberg and Croatia. After the first few games had been played, Metropolitan supporters, including myself, were tipping that the winner of this game would gain promotion. I still stand by my opinion, but the game will not be as close as thought earlier in the season.

In what should prove to be a most interesting game, Sunshine City meet Fiorentina at Sunshine. The "City", although consistent, are never brilliant, and if Fiorentina's forwards headed by Scotchman Ian Gow are on the target they should win.

At Olympic Park on Sunday, University meets Moonee Ponds as a curtain-raiser to the State League game. Positions on the ladder do not indicate the relative strengths of the two teams.

The Park field will help both teams who traditionally keep the ball on the carpet.

I think the bigger University team, more accustomed to playing on large grounds and definitely fitter, will win.

Sicilia will move further away from the relegation zone at Collingwood's expense, while Box Hill should prove too strong for Corio.

Maccabi have one of their few chances to gain points, against Alexander. Joe Reuters, former Victorian goalkeeper, as custodian of his side's goal will have plenty of work from Nanos, the Greek right-winger.

FIRST SOUTH

Who will win promotion: Will it be Richmond, Austria or Sandringham, or another club in this league?

League leaders Richmond play Trident at home. Trident, who play well one week and badly the next, are due for a good performance. They could upset the German boys this weekend.

Sandringham with new players Bremer and Bell combining well should overcome tough opposition from Oakleigh.

Brighton travel to Geelong, where they meet a team which is dangerously close to the bottom. The visitors in winning will build up their goal average.

Makedonia play away to Dandenong. Their improvement under new players Kostovski and Kotovski is evident, as they have now settled down.

In the other games Bayswater with Eller superior in the forward line should defeat Yalourn, while Austria can continue in the promotion battle if they defeat Ferntree Gully.

SECOND NORTH

Bottom teams Seymour and WWF meet.

WWF could, with a victory, move out of a relegation position for a short while at least, as C'wealth Banks should lose to Williamstown. Coburg's brilliant forwards, led by Early, Young and Murray, will get among the goals at N/Olympia's expense, and Libertas if they defeat Fairfield will stay in the promotion hunt.

ICI and St Albans may play an interesting draw in their game, as could Bendigo and Essendon.

Apart from the three leading teams, Coburg, Williamstown and Libertas, there is not much difference in the standard of the remaining teams.

SECOND SOUTH

The match of the round is between Tristina and FND. The Navy boys having shown improvement in recent weeks could stick with the leaders by taking a point.

South Yarra appear set for victory against Croydon, Park Rangers will be too good for Rosebud, and Kensington may defeat Frankston in an even, rugged game.

YOUR MATCH REPORTS

SICILIA-FIORENTINA
Fiorentina scored twice in each half. Except for a few glimpses of good play at the beginning of the game, Sicilia were virtually no match for their opponents.
A. Cappelletti scored a fine hat-trick whilst former Parkray player Cressi scored the other goal for Fiorentina.
Best players: Sicilia — Gabrielli, Corpi, Rizza.
Fiorentina — A. Cappelletti, Giardinazzo, S. Cappelletti.

COBURG-LIBERTAS
With no score at half-time, Coburg attacked hard in the second half and were soon rewarded when Cecil Early headed a goal from a cross by Pat Murray. Libertas had a couple of chances to score, but good keeping by David Brown in goal prevented them.

Frank Loughran scored the second goal with a 20 yd. drive, and Pat Murray made the next goal after his cross was deflected by a Libertas defender into the net.

BAYSWATER-AUSTRIA
Both defences were on top, and it took Austria 88 minutes to score their first goal. Both goals were scored by Gockler, the second coming in the 89th minute.

Best players: Austria — Schenck and Gockler. Bayswater — Plumb, Weid, Imberger.
Referee: Mr. H. Thorn did a creditable job.

Moreland - Lions

Judged by State League standards, the Moreland-Lions game at Olympic Park last Sunday was a woeful exhibition and many spectators walked out long before the end.

Lions scored at five minutes when centre-forward Kneifel headed a good cross from left-winger Warwick past goalie Suttie.

At 12 minutes, Warwick crossed another ball too close to Suttie to be dangerous, but the goalie dropped it. As he and two backs stood there looking at it, Kneifel rushed in and tapped it into the net.

Moreland tried to get into the game after the interval and at 50 minutes Richmond netted Lamour's cross. From that point onward the game became spiteful, many chances were missed, and both teams showed that they are long on spirit but short on tactics and strategy.

REACH THE WELL PLAYED WILHELMINA

Wilhelmina took the first jump of their League leadership double hurdle by easily beating Hakoah 3-0 at Olympic Park on Saturday.

Hakoah centre-half Bobby Adams tried to intercept a hard drive for goal by inside-left Van de Linde, but only succeeded in leaving his own goalkeeper, del Mannering, flatfooted when the ball glanced off his head and rocketed into the net on the opposite side to where Mannering was covering.

This goal sparked Hakoah into more action, but despite efforts by Villers, Rogers and McQuillan, the Middle Park boys did not worry Wilhelmina.

By this time Wilhelmina had settled down to the slippery conditions and Brouwer, Stobbe and Luyt were short-passing their way out of trouble.

GIFT GOAL

Half-time came with the game close and the Dutchmen still leading by their "gift" goal.

Wilhelmina stepped up the attacks and completely swamped Hakoah's defence.

Adams was always a trier, with Del Mannering being called upon to dash from goal and throw himself at the feet of Beerdonk, then Van de Linde.

Right-winger Erasmus was having a good game and it was from him the second Dutch goal came.

Collecting a pass, he raced down his wing before sending over a perfect pass to the unmarked Adams.

ed Stoffels, who steadied himself before giving Mannering no chance with a hard shot.

Four minutes later Stoffels scored again, this time from close range.

Hakoah could not match the accurate first-time passing of the Wilhelmina players, and often were left floundering in the mud by the will-o-the-wisp tactics of the lively Dutch forwards.

Adams switched to centre-forward but made no difference to the solid Matthysen - Luyt - Brouwer defence line.

The last 28 minutes saw Hakoah desperately trying to score but their attacks were far too loose with little or no support from their half-back line.

— FLYING VISIT

Back from a flying visit to England is Mr John van Hoboken, president of Wilhelmina.

Among the players he met was Tommy Cummings, who was Burnley's centre-half in this year's cup final.

Tommy is also chairman of the English Professional Association, and has promised to send Mr Hoboken a list of players interested in coming to Australia.

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SOCCER MAN'S DIARY 27

By DON SUTHERLAND



MAJOR item of interest in Federation circles centred last week around the election of the six Metropolitan League representatives on the Victorian Council. In a surprise result, Jim Chesters, of Heidelberg S.C., and Heinz Vollmer (Boyswater), who were elected in January by the clubs then in the Federation, failed to be re-elected. The successful candidates were Larry Harris (Park Rangers), John Barclay (Flinders Naval Depot), Norm Stanley (Frankston), Bill Mack (Yallourn), King Martin (Box Hill) and yours truly (Sandringham City). Whilst sincerely congratulating the successful candidates on behalf of all Federation clubs, it is appropriate to record our real appreciation to Messrs. Chesters and Vollmer for the very valuable representation which they provided for Metropolitan clubs in the difficult early stages of the Victorian Soccer Federation.

AN INTERESTING sidelight on the election was that two of the newly-elected members, Larry Harris and Norm Stanley, both "celebrated" their election to Council by being forced, through club circumstances, to den their boots once again and turn out for their respective clubs! Norm played for Frankston Reserves, whilst Larry played in Park Rangers 1st team against Rosebud. Park Rangers defeated Rosebud 7-3, and six of their goals were scored by centre-forward Sherry, who has now scored 24 of the 35 goals registered by his club this season. I wonder how many other clubs would like to have such a prolific goal-scorer in their forward line!

CONSIDERABLE CONCERN has been expressed recently at the number of games at which official referees have failed to turn up. Such instances are particularly prevalent in the lower divisions. No referee was at Rosebud last Saturday despite the fact that the club pays extra for travelling expenses. It is time that the Referees' Association gave some thought to penalising referees who fail to attend matches if they do not already do so, and if there are insufficient referees to allocate a man to every game then the home clubs in such instances should receive a written apology from the Referees' Association, in advance of the game. The State League Management Committee recently appointed a committee of three—Messrs. Kun, Hutchison and De Bonis—to investigate all aspects of refereeing with the Victorian Referees' Association, and it is to be hoped that they will include in their investigations the problem of provision of referees at all fixtures.

LAST MONDAY at Olympic Park I discussed with Mr. Bill Malcolm, popular secretary of the Queensland Soccer Federation, the possibility of a settlement between "Federation" and "Association" groups in Queensland. Unfortunately, despite offering very favorable terms as a basis for negotiation, the Federation has been unable to obtain a round-table discussion with the Association clubs. The word "unfortunate" applies only to the Association clubs, because the Queensland Federation is going from strength to strength, whilst the Brisbane and Ipswich Association is losing public support day by day. At their main game, played at the Brisbane Cricket Ground, the Association is apparently lucky to gain 100 spectators, and their original bank balance of around £1300 must be rapidly diminishing.

THE QUEENSLAND situation is very similar to the "split" which nearly developed in Victoria, and it illustrates how hopeless it is for minor league clubs to continue, let alone develop, without the organisation and publicity provided by the major clubs with their large public following.

INCIDENTALLY, at the special general meeting of all clubs which was held last week, the name of the Victorian Amateur Soccer Football Association was constitutionally changed to the Victorian Soccer Federation. In commenting on this decision, which was reached unanimously, Federation chairman Mr. Theo Marmaras made a special point of advising the clubs that rumors to the effect that the Federation was bankrupt were quite untrue, and he confirmed that the Federation's reserves were in excess of \$5000 after all commitments following the recent legal action had been met.

MORELAND, the only British-sponsored club in the State League, is having a difficult season on the playing field, but the club's enthusiastic committee is not allowing this to dampen their efforts. The club recently decided to adopt the nickname of "The Kangaroos", and we all hope that this will give the players added inspiration. The club's new shirts, in green and white stripes, will enable a Kangaroo emblem, and the new strip should enable the club to retain its reputation of having the best turned-out team in the State League. In the last couple of games Moreland has shown signs of real improvement, and centre-half Ron Whymann, who has been fantastically consistent, deserves much of the credit for this. John Burns, who was running professionally until after Easter, is now capably filling the right-back position, whilst wing-halves Gordon Davies and Billy Ormerod are improving week by week. It is surprising that Ormerod has not yet received any "Soccer Weekly" votes for his outstanding play.

For some time the Moreland Club had an understanding with the Essendon Junior Club, but it has now decided to form its own junior teams and will probably start with an Under-16 team. The club has advertised in the local press for interested boys, and any interested lads should contact Mr. Eric Heath at 93-6324 (evenings).

WHILST ON THE subject of juniors, it is of considerable interest to note that the Hakoah Soccer Club has formed a Junior Social Committee from its own junior players, and this is an idea which other clubs could copy. President and secretary is Mr. B. Hawes (junior manager), chairman is R. Leach (capt. under-18 team), secretary, C. Francis (under-18 team) while asst. secretary is Cirino (manager under-16 team). The committee comprises P. Hoff, G. Linardos, T. Linardos, M. Monkus and A. Petrakis from the under-18 team, while L. Szabo represents the under-16 team. The club's first project is a dance to be held on June 16, while picnics and barbecues are among future plans.

Items of interest in the Hakoah Senior Club are the transfer of Winfried Reimers to Azzurri/Perth and negotiations for the transfer of Edward Gruber to Austria/Aelaide. The players recently formed a working bee to paint the new dressing rooms and make a second ceiling. Congratulations go to Mr. Charles Hay on being elected to fill the vacant position of third vice-president of the club.

THE MELBOURNE club, through capable secretary Vic Manson, have asked me to repeat this request for followers to leave their cars in Toorak Road when the car park at their Hawthorn ground is full. Whilst some congestion has taken place in the streets surrounding the ground this has been aggravated by larrikins and the local residents appear to have seized on the problem as an excuse to have Melbourne's tenancy of the ground discontinued. However, to avoid this most undesirable possibility, all soccer supporters are urged to avoid using the side street parking around the ground.

INCIDENTALLY, the Melbourne club has had the unfortunate experience of having had two left-backs break a leg this year. Banhidi broke a leg in January, while J. Varju, the 1st team left-back, sustained a broken leg in the game against Slavia and will be out of the game for the rest of the season. On a less serious note, star right-half Jimmy Garrett recently missed two games with a throat infection and all Melbourne supporters will be pleased to see him return to the team.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: Whilst natural or acquired skill is an ingredient of soccer success, the most invaluable ingredient is absolute determination—as Queensland showed us last week!

Bukkos did a Zakomarok!



About six years ago J.U.S.T.'s left full-back Steve Zakomarok scored a goal against Juventus at the Showgrounds direct from a corner kick. Last Saturday Juventus left full-back Steve Bukkos returned the compliment. His slicing in-swinging from the left corner-flag hit goalie Steve Jankovic on the chest. Jankovic—the "Steve" in this little story of coincidences—clutched wildly but couldn't keep the greasy ball from dropping into the net.

With five regular seniors out of the game with injuries, it looked like annihilation for Slavia's crippled team against tough opponents Croat and Wilhelm last weekend, but the scratch side was not disgraced. Two games played for one draw and one defeat, 2 goals "for" and 3 goals "against" was not a bad effort under the circumstances.

Reg Griggs of Juventus is back to form. What else can you say about a wing-half who seemed to be closely marking—and beating—four opponents at once down at Elsternwick Park last Saturday.

Spectators at last Sunday's main match between Moreland and

Lions wondered why this fixture was thus honored, and mourned the low depths to which their spirited old favorite, Moreland, has descended.

After the tenth round there are still seven teams in the hunt for

this year's State League flag. With only a few points between them the clubs bob up and down on the ladder like yo-yos. Only sixth the week before, Wilhelmina won twice last weekend and shot right up to the top, but will have to fight hard to hold that spot.

With six match points, Lions is gradually fighting its way out of the relegation zone and is now challenging Slavia (8), Croat (8) and Melbourne (7) for the right to stay in the State League.

JURECKI — A GREAT PLAYER

What a great player Polonia centre-forward Mike Jurecki is!

In the match against Croat recently, Mike, who was still feeling the effects of a painful muscle injury, did not want to play.

However, officials persuaded him to turn out and he played a major part in Polonia's best display for several weeks. It was obvious that Mike was playing at only half speed, but even so his influence on the Polonia forward line was considerable.

Mike's comment after the game typifies his whole outlook on soccer. His only regret was

that his injury had prevented him from giving his best.

SINCE 1951 no fewer than 472 Argentine-born players have left their native country to join clubs in different countries. Italy has taken the biggest quota of these "soccer migrants", 102 to be exact.

THE "rat race" for the pot of gold is on!

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HE DID A HITCH HIKE TO CHILE

A Scottish soccer enthusiast walked into the World Cup stadium at Rancagua, Chile, last week and said: "I've just hitched from England—anybody got a ticket for the match?"

Sergt. Eric Thompson, of the R.A.F., logged 10,000 miles to reach Chile just in time for England's first game.

Thirty-year-old Thompson, of Dundee, with 70 days' leave at his disposal, set off from his Wiltshire camp at Lyneham on May 14 with £300 sterling (£375 Australian) in his pocket.

It was his English messmate's indifference to England's football fate that made him do it, Thompson said.

He started off with a free ride with the R.A.F. to New Jersey, then he hitch-hiked his way to Miami, flew to Lima, Peru, hitched again and finally arrived by bus.

PICK OF THE POST

SIR.—Re your remarks that soccer started in 1863. According to "Soccer—the World Game" by Geoffrey Green, a Professor H. Giles, of Cambridge University, has established that soccer started in China from 200 BC to AD 25.

The game was called "Tsu (to kick the ball with the feet) Chu" (the ball made of leather and stuffed). It was played with a silk net between two poles with an opening of 2-ft in diameter.

—JOE THRELFALL, Sunshine.

SIR.—I and hundreds of George Cross supporters fully agree with "Disgusted" of George Cross Review (May 26) after the selectors gave away two points to Hellas, and later the team lost to Juventus, and against Poland they made the biggest blunder of them all by placing in the team two unfit players so they could drop our leading tactician Pepe Cubero, also our leading scorer.

But as we consider that this move was done with a purpose, a lot of supporters are of the opinion that the George Cross team should be rearranged and some players dropped, then we will watch the result.

The team the supporters are asking for is: Davis, McKenna, Hodg-

son, Bennie, Muscat, Joelson, Falzon, Montague, Abella, Gibb, Cubero and Lolly Vella.

—"MOST DISGUSTED", Abbotsford.

SIR.—As an anonymous supporter of soccer, and living in Geelong, I would like to point out a few facts.

Did you know that Hakoah right-half Jim Hucker, who lives in Geelong, travels over 300 miles each week for his sport? This should open the eyes of some players who would not travel two miles to train.

Jim is travelling alone these days, but last season Hakoah had five players travelling from Geelong twice each week to train in Melbourne. They were Jim Hucker, Colin Evans, Rex Harris, Malcolm Cashinella and Norman Hunter.

Colin has been released by the club and at the moment is unattached—this may interest any club looking for a first-class goalkeeper.

Rex, a physical training instructor at Geelong Technical School, will return to the game after he completes his studies. Malcolm has retired from the game to devote more time to his hairdressing business and Norman Hunter is playing for Geelong Scottish and his new club looks like winning promotion this sea-

son. Bennis, Muscat, Joelson, Falzon, Montague, Abella, Gibb, Cubero and Lolly Vella.

—"MOST DISGUSTED", Abbotsford.

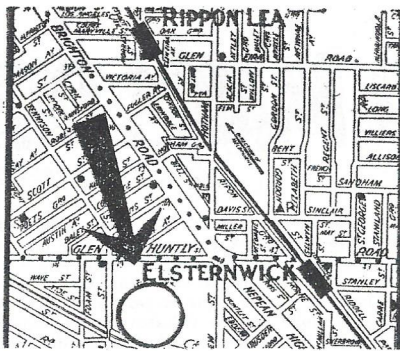
Wishing Soccer Weekly every success in the future.

Interested parties should ring Peter Suttie on FU 8881, ext. 216, during working hours and Roger McLaurin on FX-2630 after hours.

—PETER SUTTIE, Treasurer, Essendon Soccer Club, 34 Hedderwick St., Essendon.

SIR.—I must congratulate Peter Bye for his comments in The Sporting Globe in once again rousing the public of Melbourne against soccer. It seems that some certain persons here are never happy unless they are on somebody else's back, and to those who think that footy is doing such a great job in keeping youths off the streets, what the — do they think soccer is doing?

—"ONE-EYED", Clarke Road, Springvale.



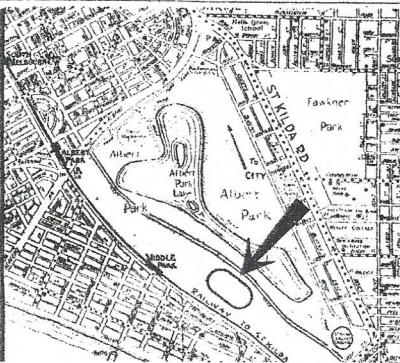
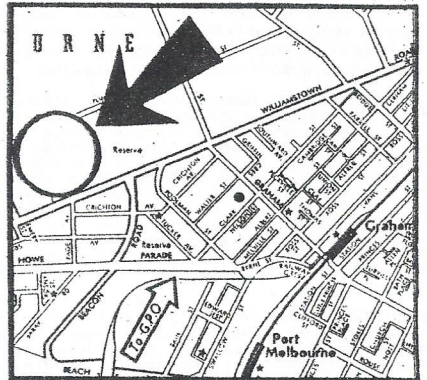
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LIONS v Slavia

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S. M. — HELLAS v J. U. S. T.

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| S. Hux 8 0 1 3 13 12 | 1 1 0 8 6 |
| Eastia 8 1 1 2 9 9 | 2 2 2 12 5 |
| Bdmha 8 0 0 4 6 17 | 0 1 3 4 14 |

QUEENSLAND DIVISION 2

| HOME | AWAY |
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| Goals | Goals |
| P W D L F A W D L F A P | P W D L F A W D L F A P |
| Gania 3 3 0 0 22 3 | 2 0 1 7 8 |
| Redbank 3 3 0 0 18 3 | 1 1 1 7 12 |
| Mhita 3 1 1 2 6 3 | 0 0 0 16 4 |
| Blimba 3 3 0 0 19 4 | 1 1 2 5 11 |
| Dinipa 3 3 0 0 15 6 | 2 1 1 12 7 |
| Polonia 3 0 2 3 6 12 | 1 0 14 1 7 |
| Postat 3 2 0 2 12 13 | 0 1 3 22 4 |
| University 3 0 1 4 3 6 | 1 0 12 22 4 |
| Solarte 3 0 1 4 3 6 | 1 0 12 22 4 |
| Rellife 3 0 2 3 6 17 | 0 0 3 4 16 |

SOUTH AUSTRALIA DIVISION 1

| HOME | AWAY |
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| Goals | Goals |
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| Bapt 6 2 0 0 5 9 | 2 2 0 11 6 |
| Juventus 6 2 0 0 14 2 | 2 2 0 11 6 |
| Orange 6 3 0 0 4 1 | 2 1 2 7 8 |
| Victoria 6 0 2 0 4 1 | 1 3 0 12 10 |
| Croatia 6 3 1 0 12 7 | 0 0 2 2 6 5 |
| Polonia 6 0 2 0 4 1 | 1 1 2 16 12 |
| Lion 6 1 1 2 3 13 | 1 0 1 4 2 3 |
| Bkita 6 1 0 3 7 12 | 1 0 1 4 2 3 |
| Cland 6 1 1 2 9 12 | 0 0 2 1 4 3 |
| Bigrad 6 1 1 2 5 15 | 0 0 2 2 11 8 |

WESTERN AUSTRALIA DIVISION 1

| HOME | AWAY |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Goals | Goals |
| P W D L F A W D L F A P | P W D L F A W D L F A P |
| Asari 7 3 0 1 18 15 | 3 0 0 13 7 |
| Olympia 7 3 0 0 5 0 | 2 1 1 3 6 |
| Athas 7 2 0 1 7 5 | 2 2 0 9 1 0 |
| Nth. Pth 7 1 1 2 4 7 | 3 0 0 10 7 |
| Sn. A 7 2 0 1 13 5 | 2 0 2 24 5 8 |
| Walis 6 2 0 0 10 2 | 2 0 2 9 9 |
| Teiric 6 2 1 1 7 5 | 1 0 1 7 7 |
| S. Pth 7 1 0 3 5 17 | 0 0 3 5 19 |
| Front 7 0 1 2 0 14 | 0 0 4 6 22 |
| Crevia 7 0 0 4 6 16 | 0 0 3 5 10 |

WESTERN AUSTRALIA DIVISION 2

| HOME | AWAY |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Goals | Goals |
| P W D L F A W D L F A P | P W D L F A W D L F A P |
| Sven V 7 5 0 0 23 2 | 2 0 0 7 14 |
| Kiev 7 3 0 0 22 2 | 0 0 1 21 5 |
| Surea 7 2 1 1 12 7 | 3 0 0 18 4 |
| Citise 7 2 1 1 15 5 | 2 1 0 15 7 |
| Julis 7 2 0 1 11 3 | 2 1 1 9 8 |
| Salco 7 2 0 1 6 4 | 1 0 1 8 20 |
| M. Jerr 7 0 1 1 6 0 | 2 1 2 11 9 |
| Vatso 7 1 1 1 6 0 | 2 1 2 11 9 |
| Malta 7 1 0 1 6 5 | 1 1 3 10 23 |
| Alxide 7 1 1 2 8 18 | 0 0 3 9 18 |
| Gidis 7 0 0 4 5 16 | 0 0 2 5 9 |

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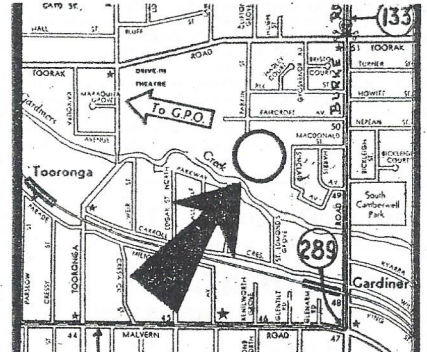
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STATE LEAGUE

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | P |
|--------------|----|---|---|----|----|----|----|
| Wilhelmina | 10 | 6 | 3 | 1 | 22 | 13 | 15 |
| S. M.-Hellas | 10 | 7 | 0 | 3 | 26 | 11 | 14 |
| Juventus | 10 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 17 | 9 | 13 |
| J.U.S.T. | 10 | 6 | 1 | 3 | 15 | 10 | 13 |
| George Cross | 10 | 5 | 2 | 3 | 21 | 14 | 12 |
| Hakoah | 10 | 5 | 2 | 3 | 21 | 14 | 12 |
| Polonia | 10 | 5 | 2 | 3 | 17 | 12 | 12 |
| Slavia | 10 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 13 | 15 | 8 |
| Croat | 10 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 8 | 15 | 8 |
| Melbourne | 10 | 3 | 1 | 6 | 15 | 21 | 7 |
| Lions | 10 | 2 | 2 | 6 | 10 | 23 | 6 |
| Moreland | 10 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 5 | 33 | 0 |

STATE LEAGUE RESERVES

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | P |
|--------------|----|---|---|----|----|----|----|
| S. M.-Hellas | 9 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 16 | 8 | 16 |
| Melbourne | 10 | 7 | 1 | 2 | 15 | 10 | 16 |
| J.U.S.T. | 10 | 7 | 1 | 2 | 15 | 10 | 16 |
| Wilhelmina | 10 | 7 | 1 | 2 | 15 | 10 | 16 |
| Hakoah | 10 | 7 | 1 | 2 | 15 | 10 | 16 |
| George Cross | 10 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 20 | 16 | 11 |
| Juventus | 10 | 5 | 0 | 5 | 26 | 49 | 10 |
| Slavia | 10 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 16 | 22 | 8 |
| Polonia | 10 | 2 | 1 | 7 | 14 | 27 | 5 |
| Croat | 10 | 2 | 0 | 8 | 17 | 38 | 4 |
| Moreland | 10 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 7 | 26 | 3 |
| Lions | 10 | 0 | 2 | 8 | 10 | 42 | 2 |

SECOND DIVISION RESERVES

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | P |
|------------------|----|---|---|---|----|----|----|
| Bellarat | 10 | 9 | 0 | 1 | 53 | 9 | 18 |
| Geelong Scottish | 10 | 8 | 0 | 2 | 47 | 11 | 16 |
| Springvale | 10 | 6 | 2 | 2 | 31 | 12 | 14 |
| Azzurri | 10 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 22 | 18 | 14 |
| Bel Park | 10 | 5 | 2 | 3 | 29 | 20 | 12 |
| South Yarra | 10 | 5 | 1 | 4 | 24 | 24 | 11 |
| Brunswick | 10 | 4 | 1 | 5 | 23 | 16 | 9 |
| Ajax | 10 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 21 | 27 | 9 |
| Ringwood | 10 | 2 | 1 | 7 | 14 | 41 | 5 |
| Moarabbin | 10 | 2 | 0 | 8 | 14 | 43 | 4 |
| Park Rangers | 10 | 2 | 0 | 8 | 10 | 42 | 4 |
| Prinran | 10 | 2 | 0 | 8 | 7 | 51 | 4 |

JUNIOR SOCCER TABLES

| UNDER 12 ZONE "A" | | | | | | | | UNDER 16 ZONE "B" | | | | | | | |
|----------------------|---|---|---|---|----|---|----|-------------------|---|---|---|---|----|---|----|
| | P | W | D | L | F | A | P | | P | W | D | L | F | A | P |
| Trident | 6 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 13 | 1 | 13 | W. Newport | 6 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 13 | 1 | 13 |
| Azzurri | 6 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 13 | 1 | 13 | Glencroy | 6 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 13 | 1 | 13 |
| Olympia | 6 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 13 | 1 | 13 | George Cross | 6 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 13 | 1 | 13 |
| Deer Park | 6 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 13 | 1 | 13 | Polonia | 6 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 13 | 1 | 13 |
| Sacred Heart | 6 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 13 | 1 | 13 | Broadmeadows | 6 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 13 | 1 | 13 |
| Sunshine | 6 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 13 | 1 | 13 | Polonia | 6 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 13 | 1 | 13 |
| E. St. Albans | 6 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 13 | 1 | 13 | Lions | 6 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 13 | 1 | 13 |
| Ajax | 6 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 13 | 1 | 13 | Lions | 6 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 13 | 1 | 13 |
| UNDER 18 ZONE "B" | | | | | | | | UNDER 16 ZONE "C" | | | | | | | |
| | P | W | D | L | F | A | P | | P | W | D | L | F | A | P |
| J.U.S.T. | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 | Springvale | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 |
| W. Newport | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 | Wilhelmina | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 |
| George Cross | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 | Glencroy | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 |
| Polonia | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 | Dandenong | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 |
| Broadmeadows | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 | Box Hill | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 |
| UNDER 12 ZONE "C" | | | | | | | | UNDER 16 ZONE "D" | | | | | | | |
| | P | W | D | L | F | A | P | | P | W | D | L | F | A | P |
| Wilhelmina | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 | Slavia | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 |
| Slavia | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 | Hakoah | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 |
| Slavia Port | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 | S. M.-Hellas | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 |
| Aspendale | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 | Polonia | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 |
| Frankston A | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 | George Cross | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 |
| S. M.-Hellas | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 | Essendon | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 |
| Frankston B | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 | Frankston B | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 |
| UNDER 14 ZONE "A" | | | | | | | | UNDER 18 ZONE "A" | | | | | | | |
| | P | W | D | L | F | A | P | | P | W | D | L | F | A | P |
| Trident | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 | Ajax | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 |
| Sunshine | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 | St. Albans | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 |
| Olympia | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 | Polonia | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 |
| Nth Sunshine | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 | George Cross | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 |
| Ajax | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 | Essendon | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 |
| J.U.S.T. | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 | Frankston B | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 |
| Deer Park | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 | UNDER 18 ZONE "B" | | | | | | | |
| Lions Melb. | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 | | P | W | D | L | F | A | P |
| Essendon | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 | Brighton | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 |
| UNDER 14 ZONE "B" | | | | | | | | Melbourne | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 |
| | P | W | D | L | F | A | P | Hakoah | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 |
| S. M.-Hellas | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 | Wilhelmina | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 |
| Springvale | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 | Glencroy | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 |
| Melbourne | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 | George Cross | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 |
| Wilhelmina | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 | Polonia | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 |
| Aspendale | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 | Box Hill | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 |
| Noble Park B | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 | Dandenong | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 |
| Frankston B | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 | Essendon | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 |
| Frankston B | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 | Box Hill B | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 |
| UNDER 16 ZONE "A" | | | | | | | | UNDER 18 ZONE "A" | | | | | | | |
| | P | W | D | L | F | A | P | | P | W | D | L | F | A | P |
| Olympia | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 | Brighton | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 |
| Trident | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 | Melbourne | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 |
| Nth Sunshine | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 | Hakoah | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 |
| Essendon | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 | Wilhelmina | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 |
| J.U.S.T. | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 | Glencroy | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 |
| Sunshine | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 | George Cross | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 12 |
| SECOND DIVISION RES. | | | | | | | | UNDER 18 ZONE "B" | | | | | | | |
| | P | W | D | L | F | A | P | | P | W | D | L | F | A | P |
| Prinran | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | Box Hill | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Bellarat | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | Box Hill B | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Bel Park | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | Box Hill C | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Ajax | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | Box Hill D | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Geelong Scot. | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | Box Hill E | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Springvale | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | Box Hill F | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Park Rangers | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | Box Hill G | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |

Here are your Olympic Park games

All matches start at 2.45 p.m.

Saturday June 9: Polonia v Hakoah
Sunday June 10: Croat v George Cross.
University v Moonee Ponds
Saturday June 16: Rugby Interstate Game.
Sunday June 17: Wilhelmina v Hakoah.

Makedonia v Richmond

Saturday June 23: George Cross v Hakoah
Sunday, June 24: Slavia v Polonia, Collingwood v Box Hill.
Saturday, June 30: Wilhelmina v George Cross.
Sunday, July 1: Juventus v Hellas, Sandringham v Yallourn.

JUNIOR SOCCER

By ALBERT MERRILL

The under-14 State teams who were to have played the curtain raiser at Olympic Park on Monday, the Queen's Birthday holiday, unfortunately had to play their match at Maccabi's ground nearby owing to the wet conditions of the Park following heavy rain.

However, an enthusiastic crowd of 1500, who were waiting for Olympic Park to open, followed the teams, and saw a good match.

Play in the first half was fast with North taking the initiative and giving South a worrying time. Half-time score 2-0 for North.

North's goalie, Va Liemp, made three terrific saves in the first five minutes. North then came back into their stride and the game swung from end to end with honors even.

A report from Slavia-Polonia states that they are anxious with the going of the two junior teams. The 16 team, having beaten Sandringham 5-1, the strongest team in the league, are now on top of the ladder. In the Under-12 team they feel that they have some of the best juniors in Victoria, and there is never a moment of anxiety when these boys are playing.

At the start of the season the team was not ready and the first two games had to be forfeited. However, since then, the Slavia-Polonia team has been scoring in every game. Under-12's have scored in 17 of 18 games, 68 goals - the highest number scored by any team in Victoria, and received only one goal.

In their last league game this team scored so many goals, that the second half of the ladder, that even the referee lost count and so a result of 21 to nil was mutually agreed.

SOUTH AFRICA'S SOCCER TANGLE

Outlawed by FIFA because of racial discrimination in their soccer setup, and thus denied the international competition essential to the development of their game, the all-white South African FA have again met with a refusal by FIFA to lift the ban.

With precious little hope of changing their country's apartheid policy, the South African soccer bosses realise they can say goodbye to their hopes of entering by their 1966 World Cup.

The FA of England tried to alter the domestic setup to an extent that would permit them to appeal against the FIFA ban by offering affiliation to the SA Football Federation, the non-white controlling body. But this offer was turned down.

-JIM COOK-

BUKKOS SAYS THANK YOU

Steve Bukkos, Juventus' experienced left-back, had mixed fortunes last week.

On Thursday he learnt that he couldn't play for Juventus again because he was still technically a J.U.S.T. player.

On Friday a transfer was completed between the clubs and Steve was again a Juventus player.

Finally, like a page from a schoolboy adventure story, Steve scored direct from a corner to kick the all-important first goal that sent his old club on the road to a 0-3 defeat.

HOTEL SOCCER

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | P |
|------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Molinas | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Florentino | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Maximo | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Maximo | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 4 | 4 |

will be played at Olympic Park (opp. Swimming Pool), at 10.00.

LAST WEEK

STATE LEAGUE

Polonia 3, Hakoah 0

Croat 0, Slavia 9

Lions 2, Moreland 1

S. M.-Hellas 3, Melbourne 2

Slavia 2, Wilhelmina 3 (replay)

Wilhelmina 1, Hakoah 3

Polonia 2, George Cross 6

Croat 1, Slavia 2

Lions 1, Moreland 1

Juventus 2, J.U.S.T. 11

S. M.-Hellas 1, Melbourne 2

Slavia 2, Wilhelmina 3 (replay)

Wilhelmina 1, Hakoah 3

Polonia 2, George Cross 6

Croat 1, Slavia 2

Lions 1, Moreland 1

Juventus 2, J.U.S.T. 11

S. M.-Hellas 1, Melbourne 2

Slavia 2, Wilhelmina 3 (replay)

Wilhelmina 1, Hakoah 3

Polonia 2, George Cross 6

Croat 1, Slavia 2

Lions 1, Moreland 1

Juventus 2, J.U.S.T. 11

S. M.-Hellas 1, Melbourne 2

Slavia 2, Wilhelmina 3 (replay)

Wilhelmina 1, Hakoah 3

Polonia 2, George Cross 6

Croat 1, Slavia 2

Lions 1, Moreland 1

Juventus 2, J.U.S.T. 11

S. M.-Hellas 1, Melbourne 2

Slavia 2, Wilhelmina 3 (replay)

Wilhelmina 1, Hakoah 3

Polonia 2, George Cross 6

Croat 1, Slavia 2

Lions 1, Moreland 1

Juventus 2, J.U.S.T. 11

S. M.-Hellas 1, Melbourne 2

England's team to play Bulgaria in the vital World Cup qualifying match today was announced late last night. It is: Springett (Sheff Wed); Arnfield (Blackpool); Wilson (Huddersfield T.); Moore (West Ham); Nor-man (Spurs); Flowers (Wolves); Douglas (Blackburn R.); Greaves (Spurs); Pescock (Middlesbrough); Haynes (Fulham); Charlton (Man. United). England must win to qualify for the finals.

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IS HE OFFSIDE ?



● Here is the third in the "Soccer Weekly" series to help supporters, players and officials with the controversial off-side rule.

The ball has been deflected by a defender to the attacker in the dark jersey. He appears to be in an off-side position. Is he off-side?

ANSWER: No. Unless the referee has previously signalled his off-side position. He has been played "on-side" by the defender.

KNOW YOUR SOCCER

The third in a series of six articles by Jim Cook explaining the laws of the game in match style.

SHOULD THE REF. HAVE GIVEN A GOAL?

United's left-winger, Wilson, was one of those types who often played for a corner by pushing the ball at an opponent's legs when he came in to tackle near the goal-line.

This time, in the 35th minute, the move came off. City's right-back Smith came forward to tackle, Wilson moving in, flicked and the ball flashed across the line off Smith's legs.

It was still 0-0 and the cheering started to mount as Wilson ran up to take the corner kick he gained. It was a beauty, swinging right in towards goal. It looked as if it was going directly into the net... but no, it hit the post!

There was a groan from the crowd, then renewed excitement as they noticed that the ball had rebounded straight to the advancing Wilson, following through his corner kick.

He hit the ball first time, low and hard. And there it was bulging in the back of the net. City's defence hadn't had time to move from their corner kick positions.

The cheers split the air,

then they turned to groans of despair and dismay. The referee had disallowed the goal, and to crown it all had awarded a free kick to City.

Why had the referee taken such action?

ANSWER

The winger Wilson, after taking the corner kick, played the ball again before it had been played by another player.

Under both Law 17 (governing corner kicks) and Law 13 (governing free kicks) it is illegal for a player who takes the kick to touch the ball again before it has been played or touched by another player. The woodwork does not count as another player.

And the punishment for touching the ball twice is a free kick, an indirect one, to the opposing side.

NEWCOMERS TO ENGLISH LEAGUE

At the annual meeting of the English Football League, Oxford United, a club which became professional only 10 years ago, was elected. They will take the place of Accrington Stanley, who were forced to withdraw because of financial difficulties midway during last season.

VICTORIAN SQUAD IS STILL NO TEAM

by MORRIE BUCKNER

If ever proof was needed that it takes a lot more than 11 clever players to make a team, Victoria's losing display against Queensland last Monday provided it.

Victoria has quite a few good players now — enough for at least two State teams — and there is no point in quibbling about the individual ability of the players selected.

But within minutes of the kick-off last Monday we saw exactly what could be anticipated as the result of lack of team practice, lack of coaching in tactics and lack of captaincy.

Knowing the speed and penetrative ability of Graham McMillan and Spencer Kitching — just to mention two of the visiting forwards — why did Victoria adopt a perfectly square defence formation which camped within 20 yards of the half-way line?

NO DEFENCE

With no defence in depth, the inevitable occurred. At 17 minutes a long, swift pass was sent to McMillan, who was waiting between Falzon and Micic. When he turned and sped between these two backs, there was absolutely nothing between him and the goal except Jankovic, who didn't have a chance!

Queensland did it again in similar circumstances at 60 minutes and again at 79 minutes. In each case, Jankovic moved well out of his ground because he had been "left for dead" by a square defence down field.

The Victorian attack had more use of the ball than their opponents, and the clever interplay of Jurecki, Vella, Beerendonk and Margarites (until he was injured) was often delightful.

STARVED OF BALL

But why was Mladenovic starved for the ball until late in the second half? He was treated more like an opponent than a member of the Victorian team. It can only be because his teammates had never seen him play, didn't know his language and couldn't be sure of his response in a play.

Soon after Queensland scored its first goal the Victorians switched to the positions they like best.

Beerendonk crossed from the left to the right wing. Dick van Alphen went back from centre-forward to centre-half and Micic moved from centre-half to right-half. Margarites moved from right-half to inside-right and Jurecki switched from inside-right to centre-forward. And when Margarites retired, Mladenovic moved from inside-left to inside-right.

All this left Lolly Vella no choice other than to play the left wing.

OUT OF FORM

Frank Micic did not reproduce the form he showed at Elsternwick Park last Saturday. Dick van Alphen appeared listless in his third match in three days. Teddy Smith, who replaced Margarites, also failed to show

his best form. And Steve Jankovic, because of tactical faults mentioned above, should not be judged on this performance. The remainder of the team played right up to their not enough.

FOCUS ON OPINION

MORRIE BUCKNER, "Sun" soccer writer:

"There is a great deal of truth—and wisdom, too—in the commonly used phrase which says in effect that you can't please everybody. In fact, it's impossible to do so. Those who try it usually invite problems. This applies to any operation you care to mention, but in this case I'm referring to the use of Olympic Park. If the No. 1 Oval is to be used on Sundays for any grade of match that comes along—good, bad and indifferent—as it was last weekend, the surface will be ruined in serving absolutely no useful purpose. A few clubs who play sub-standard football may be pleased. But many other clubs and thousands of football fans will be antagonised. What's more, the reputation of the game itself will suffer. Melbourne's soccer headquarters should be reserved for the best quality of football we can offer."

Soccer Weekly team

Here is the Soccer Weekly team chosen from State League sides. Selections are made from the best players as nominated by an independent panel of observers.

Players are chosen on a point system. Our panel may select as many as three players from one match or none at all.

Players are chosen for their consistent form, high standard of play, conduct and team work. In fact, the all-round club player is the man that is worthy of a position in the Soccer Weekly team.

BAROTAJ
(Slavia 5 pts)

FALZON
(George Cross 6 pts)

BUKKOS
(Juventus 4 pts)

GRIGGS
(Juventus 5 pts)

MICIC
(J.U.S.T. 7 pts)

GLENNIE
(Slavia 5 pts)

MARGARITES
(Hellas 5 pts)

ACUNZO
(Juventus 5 pts)

THOMAS
(Hakoah 3 pts)

JURECKI
(Polonia 6 pts)

BEERENDONK
(Wilhelmina 5 pts)

Other players who have scored points:—

Barry, Haast (Slavia), Burns, Whyman, Richmond (Moreland), Marth, Voigt (Lions), Rodok, Rice, Jankovic (J.U.S.T.), Kenny, Frangioni, Barbazza (Juventus), Copeland, McKenna, Gibb, Vella (George Cross), Gronowski, Szysalski, Dudan (Polonia), Kourkoulakos, Papadopoulos, Karpaous (Hellas), Bacci, Fekete (Melbourne), Slivar, Rau, Djukic (Croat), Vilegals, Van Altena, Mathysen (Wilhelmina), McQuillan, Adams, Villers, Alexander (Hakoah).



LEXI'S TWO BEST FRIENDS

3XY SATURDAY
6.30 p.m.
SOCCER ROUNDUP

Sponsor: A. A. Chlodo

with

GLEN MILLINS • JOHN d'ANDREA